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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Ralf Salameh  
Appl. No. : 10/675,750  
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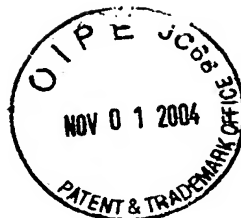
**AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
**Commissioner of Patents**  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to the first action, please amend the application as follows:

Appln. No.: 10/675,750  
Amdt. dated October 28, 2004



**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this **Preliminary Amendment** for U.S. Serial No.: 10/675,750 filed September 30, 2003 is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on October 28, 2004.

  
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